GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4921
ANSWERED ON:10.05.2007
SETTING UP OF COAST GUARD STATIONS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Coast Guard Stations located in the country, State-wise and the main functions thereof;

(b) whether it is proposed to set up more Coast Guard Stations;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which they will be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (d): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4921 FOR ANSWER ON 10.5.2007

There are thirty Coast Guard Stations and Coast Guard Air Stations in the country. State/Union Territory-wise numbers are as under:-

State/Union Territory	Number of Coast Guard Stations/Air Stations
Gujarat	4
Maharashtra	2
Goa	2
Karnataka	1
Kerala	4
Delhi	1
Tamil Nadu	4
Puducherry	1
Andhra Pradesh	2
Orissa	1
West Bengal	2
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	4
Daman	1
Lakshadweep Islands	1
TOTAL	30

A Coast Guard Station executes all Coast Guard operations which include safety and protection to all installations in maritime zone, protection to fishermen at sea in distress, preservation and protection of maritime environment, assistance to customs and other authorities in anti-smuggling operations, enforcement of maritime law. It also provides assistance during natural calamities, disaster and relief duties and liaises with State Government/local authorities. It acts as a depotship and provides administrative support to dependent units. New Coast Guard stations are set up based on the assessment of need for the same and also taking other related factors into account.